

Poverty

- In Kentucky, 15.8% of persons are in poverty; 16.7% of persons in the Barren River WIA are in poverty. Poverty for families is slightly less than for persons, 12.7% and 12.6% respectively (Kentucky, Barren River).
- Married-couple families are less likely to be in poverty than other families, 8.0% vs. 31.5%, in Barren River. Approximately one-fifth of families are not comprised of married-couples. For other families where the householder worked full-time, the poverty rate is lower, 6.2% for male householders and 10.3% for female householders.
- The first chart on the next page shows the percentage of people below poverty by family type and work experience. It's of no surprise that very few married-couple families with both the householder and spouse working full-time, year-round are in poverty, 0.3% in Kentucky.
- In Barren River, 14.6% of persons aged 18-64 were in poverty in 1999 (Census 2000). For children, the poverty rate was 21.1% and for those over the age of 65, 18.9% were in poverty.

Poverty status in 1999 by family type and work experience of householder

	Kentucky				Barren River WIA			
	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty
Total families:	1,110,426	969,907	140,519	12.7%	70,542	61,676	8,866	12.6%
Married-couple family:	870,930	801,655	69,275	8.0%	56,710	52,195	4,515	8.0%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999:	497,284	487,092	10,192	2.0%	33,600	32,713	887	2.6%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	221,746	221,036	710	0.3%	15,728	15,688	40	0.3%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	154,810	152,666	2,144	1.4%	10,516	10,268	248	2.4%
Spouse did not work in 1999	120,728	113,390	7,338	6.1%	7,356	6,757	599	8.1%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999:	167,314	149,004	18,310	10.9%	11,287	9,929	1,358	12.0%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	49,397	48,526	871	1.8%	3,097	3,053	44	1.4%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	61,761	55,226	6,535	10.6%	4,436	3,886	550	12.4%
Spouse did not work in 1999	56,156	45,252	10,904	19.4%	3,754	2,990	764	20.4%
Householder did not work in 1999:	206,332	165,559	40,773	19.8%	11,823	9,553	2,270	19.2%
Spouse worked full-time, year-round in 1999	33,054	31,062	1,992	6.0%	2,041	1,936	105	5.1%
Spouse worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	33,182	26,677	6,505	19.6%	1,847	1,480	367	19.9%
Spouse did not work in 1999	140,096	107,820	32,276	23.0%	7,935	6,137	1,798	22.7%
Other family:	239,496	168,252	71,244	29.7%	13,832	9,481	4,351	31.5%
Male householder, no wife present:	56,411	45,824	10,587	18.8%	3,613	2,973	640	17.7%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999	28,563	27,097	1,466	5.1%	1,850	1,736	114	6.2%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	13,137	9,767	3,370	25.7%	913	699	214	23.4%
Householder did not work in 1999	14,711	8,960	5,751	39.1%	850	538	312	36.7%
Female householder, no husband present:	183,085	122,428	60,657	33.1%	10,219	6,508	3,711	36.3%
Householder worked full-time, year-round in 1999	68,199	61,709	6,490	9.5%	3,782	3,394	388	10.3%
Householder worked less than full-time, year-round in 1999	53,433	28,541	24,892	46.6%	3,032	1,431	1,601	52.8%
Householder did not work in 1999	61,453	32,178	29,275	47.6%	3,405	1,683	1,722	50.6%

Poverty status in 1999 by age

	Kentucky				Barren River WIA			
	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty	Total	Above Poverty	Below Poverty	% Below Poverty
All Persons:	3,927,047	3,305,951	621,096	15.8%	247,014	205,742	41,272	16.7%
Under 5 years	261,914	201,590	60,324	23.0%	16,206	12,426	3,780	23.3%
5 years	52,707	41,160	11,547	21.9%	3,200	2,353	847	26.5%
6 to 11 years	332,125	261,850	70,275	21.2%	21,114	16,535	4,579	21.7%
12 to 17 years	331,489	270,088	61,401	18.5%	20,604	16,929	3,675	17.8%
18 to 64 years	2,472,272	2,122,200	350,072	14.2%	155,234	132,626	22,608	14.6%
65 to 74 years	271,101	237,961	33,140	12.2%	17,456	14,714	2,742	15.7%
75 years and over	205,439	171,102	34,337	16.7%	13,200	10,159	3,041	23.0%

Source: Census 2000 (SF 3, PCT60 and P87)